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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated December 21, 2001, petition being hereby made for a one (1) month time extension up to, and including, April 21, 2002 (a Sunday), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the pending claims herein as follows:¹

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1. (Amended) A method of treating pulp comprising a pulp digestion process which includes supplying wood material into a digester (2), and a brown stock washing process which includes discharging brown stock from the digester to a brown stock

¹ Pursuant to Rule 121(c), a marked-up version of the amended claims appears in Appendix I hereto and shows all changes by underlining added language and bracketing deleted language.

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